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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF ASHLAND
FOR THE
Year Ending February 15, 1917

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WARRANT.

The State of New Hampshire.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Ashland on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, 1917, at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the increase and support of the town library.

4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial day.

5. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the laying out, building and repairing of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

6. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the current expenses of the fire department for the ensuing year.

7. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the expenses of the town poor.

8. To see if the town will vote to repair the concrete streets and sidewalks and raise and appropriate money for the same.

9. To see if the town will vote to install three street lights on Collins street, leading by the residence of Almon Carter, Charles B. Huckins and the leather-board mill.

10. To see if the town will vote to widen the bridge on Main street near Fifield's Garage, over Squam river, and appropriate money for the same.

11. To see if the town will vote to build a concrete street on Winter street, from near the residence of John Morrison towards the Boston & Maine railroad passenger station to the land of said railroad, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

12. To see if the town will vote to build a state road, so called, from the tracks of the Boston & Maine railroad near the freight depot at Ashland, beginning on the westerly side of said tracks by the residence of Frank Harris; Ross P. Sanborn to the New Hampton town line, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

13. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for construction of new highways and repair of the state highways.

14. To see if the town will vote to establish a non-partisan electric light commission.

15. To see if the town will vote to ratify its vote taken at the biennial election November 7, 1916, rela-

tive to the expediency of acquiring or establishing an electric light plant and pass any vote relating thereto.

16. To see if the town will vote to purchase a town flag, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17. To see what sum the town will vote as salary for Municipal Court Justice for the ensuing year.

18. To see if the town will vote to extend the town water on West Main street to Green Grove cemetery.

Given under our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventeen.

JOHN S. HUCKINS,
SELDON J. COTTON,
ALESSANDRO MORTON,

Selectmen of Ashland.

TOWN OFFICERS.

1916.

Town Clerk—Curt E. Eastman.

Selectmen—John C. Huckins, Seldon J. Cotton,
Alessandro Morton.

Treasurer—Ora A. Brown.

Tax Collector—Alba H. Carpenter.

Overseer of the Poor—Adolph G. Schelzel.

Janitor of Town Hall—Charles H. Heath.

Police—Ray C. Harriman.

Liquor Prosecuting Agent—Dona Guyotte.

Fire Wards—Lester G. Fifield, George F. Plummer,
John B. Sullivan.

Superintendent of Water Works—Edgar W. Sanborn.

Superintendent of Fire Alarm—Lester G. Fifield.

Auditors—Edward P. Warner, Clifford E. Gingrass,
John G. Smith.

Library Trustees—Lula B. Shepard, F. Anna Whipple,
William F. Timlin.

INVENTORY.

Valuation of Town, April 1, 1916.

384 polls.	
190 horses,	\$ 27,052 00
2 mules,	375 00
8 oxen,	875 00
154 cows,	8,327 00
18 neat stock,	1,017 00
67 sheep,	301 50
1 hog,	15 00
1,344 fowls,	1,037 50
101 vehicles and automobiles,	16,625 00
2 portable mills,	250 00
27 boats and launches,	5,520 00
Wood and lumber,	150 00
Stock in public funds,	19,241 00
Money on hand and at interest,	2,773 42
Stock in trade,	146,297 32
Mills and machinery,	305,987 50
Real estate,	790,974 00
Total valuation,	<hr/> \$1,326,818 23

Valuation by Districts.

District No. 1,	\$1,162,333 23
District No. 2,	164,485 00
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MONEY RAISED.

Town charegs,	\$2,500 00
Town library.	250 00
Memorial day,	85 00
Highways and bridges,	3,300 00
Fire department,	650 00
Town poor,	100 00
Concrete streets and sidewalks,	500 00
Municipal court judge,	100 00
Town debt,	500 00
State tax,	2,137 50
County tax,	1,559 11
School money by law,	2,137 50
Extra school money, special district,	4,600 00
Notes and interest, special district,	1,960 00
Books and supplies, special district,	1,000 00
Repairs, special district,	500 00
Extra money, town district,	550 00
Overlay,	302 65

\$22,731 76

Town tax rate on \$100.00	\$1 00	
Special school district rate,	70	
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/>	\$1 70

Town tax rate on \$100.00	\$1 00	
Town school district rate,	34	
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CURRENT EXPENSES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

The Record Print, printing town reports,	\$ 60 00
W. J. Randolph, transfers,	2 30
U. S. Cons. Co., 1 blade,	7 00
C. E. Eastman, books,	3 51
Hughes & Gammons, insurance,	40 00
Studebaker Co., broom,	35 00
F. M. Harris, labor on inventory,	5 00
O. A. Brown, supplies,	1 50
Mary Murdock, labor,	1 25
J. G. Smith, on closets, selectmen's room,	19 35
James H. Mendell, on appraisal,	55 10
Ashland Electric Light Co., lights,	345 00
F. M. Harris, labor on inventory,	5 00
Penn Metal Co., culverts,	32 34
Good Roads Machine Co.,	1 50
Three men enlisted, car fare,	3 45
George I. Brown, bill,	5 38
John C. Huckins, bill, cash paid out,	12 82
North East Metal Culvert Co.,	82 20
S. J. Cotton, labor on dump,	9 00
Traffic Sign Co.,	5 25
C. H. Palmer, signs,	75
Ashland Electric Light Co., lights,	345 50
C. V. Knowlton, team for selectmen,	10 75
W. F. Timlin, expense on bank wall,	91 00
W. F. Timlin, expense on bank wall,	28 63
James Clifford, use of derrick,	8 00
North East Culvert Co.,	17 07
Edson C. Eastman, supplies,	1 28
W. F. Timlin, expense on bank wall,	50 60

Rumford Press, warrants,	18 50
Ashland Electric Light Co., lights,	347 00
R. M. Whitcomb & Co., supplies,	18 90
G. Conral Brummer, federal tax,	6 88
F. H. Chick, blacksmith bill,	3 05
J. Gardner Smith, labor on booths,	7 50
George I. Brown, miscellaneous bill,	7 75
Ashland Electric Light Co., lights,	347 50
Carey Furniture Co., supplies,	17 75
E. W. Sanborn, coal, hose house,	72 76
Asa Warren Drew, counsel,	25 00
Sullivan Bros., oil,	84
O. A. Brown, supplies,	8 75
O. A. Brown, supplies,	25 60
C. E. Eastman, supplies,	10 85
C. E. Eastman, copy inventory,	5 00
J. C. Huckins, cash paid out,	5 83
E. W. Sanborn, supplies,	2 05
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	\$2,217 04

BOARD OF HEALTH.

J. C. Huckins, vaccinating 113 children,	\$113 00
A. E. Porter & Son, supplies,	11 85
A. Perley Fitch, supplies,	13 50
J. C. Huckins, vaccinating 30 children,	30 00
E. P. Warner, salary and supplies,	28 41
A. E. Porter & Son, supplies,	1 00
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	\$197 76

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation,	\$85 00
Paid F. M. Hughes, for G. A. R.,	\$85 00

TOWN LIBRARY.

Appropriation,	\$250 00
Paid Lula B. Shepard, trustee,	\$250 00

TOWN POOR.

Eleanor Clifford, board of Moore child,	\$ 42 00
Susie Deane, rent for F. Garland,	91 00
L. M. Orton, attendance on F. Garland,	10 25

\$143 25

Appropriation,	\$100 00
Appropriation exceeded,	\$43 25

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

W. B. Clifford, labor,	\$ 4 30
Eureka Hose Mfg. Co., hose,	120 00
B. & M. R. R. fire,	16 41
B. & M. R. R. fire,	13 60
George F. Plummer, labor,	1 50
Pay roll, Hose Co. No. 1,	98 75
Pay roll, Hose Co. No. 2,	85 50
Pay roll, Hook & Ladder Co.,	65 50
Standard Extinguisher Co., supplies,	75 75
C. H. Palmer, janitor 1 year,	60 00
L. G. Fifield, salary and supplies,	54 83
O. A. Brown, supplies,	25 46

\$621 60

FIRE ALARM.

L. G. Fifield, services and supplies,	\$180 76
Appropriation, fire department,	\$650 00
Cash from B. & M. R. R.,	30 01

Cash from town of New Hampton,	16 40
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	\$696 41

Expended, fire department and on fire alarm system,	\$802 36
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POLICE AND LOBBY EXPENSES.

C. E. Eastman, to May 1, 1917,	\$ 11 25
J. H. Fleming, to May 1, 1917,	11 75
R. C. Harriman, salary,	514 09
C. H. Palmer, special,	10 00
J. G. Smith, special,	10 00
Fred A. Carr, special,	10 00
James H. Fleming, special,	10 00
Charles B. Marsh, labor,	75
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	\$577 84

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES.

Asa W. Drew, moderator,	\$ 9 00
C. H. Heath, supervisor, ballot clerk, and work on booths,	29 00
Fred A. Carr, ballot clerk,	9 00
C. V. Knowlton, supervisor,	26 00
W. F. Hardy, supervisor,	26 00
A. G. Schelzel, overseer of poor,	50 00
J. G. Smith, auditor and ballot clerk,	7 00
John E. Morrison, care of town clock,	25 00
E. P. Warner, auditor,	1 50
C. N. Swayne, ballot clerk,	3 00
Edna C. Goddard, librarian,	75 00
O. A. Brown, treasurer,	50 00
W. F. Timlin, ballot clerk,	6 00
C. E. Eastman, town clerk,	50 00

Seldon J. Cotton, selectman,	100 00
Alessandro Morton, selectman.	50 00
J. C. Huckins, selectman,	200 00
A. H. Carpenter, collector.	250 00
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	\$966 50

COST OF EDUCATION.

Special School District.

Receipts.

School money by law,	\$1,872 45
Extra school money,	4,600 00
Books and supplies,	1,000 00
Repairs and renewals,	500 00
Notes and interest,	1,960 00
Proportion dog license,	107 22
Proportion literary fund,	180 73
Proportion state fund,	915 42
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	\$11,135 82

Expenditures.

Paid O. A. Brown, treasurer,	\$11,135 82
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Ashland Town School District.

Receipts.

School money by law,	\$265 05
Extra school money,	550 00
Proportion dog license,	15 18
Proportion literary fund,	25 58

Proportion state fund,	129 58
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	\$985 39

Expenditures.

Paid Benjamin F. Pease, treasurer,	\$985 39
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POLICE COURT.

Asa W. Drew, Judge, salary 8 months,	\$66 66
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BOUNTIES PAID.

Orville Small, 7 hedgehogs,	\$1 40
Elbridge Boynton, 1 hedgehog,	20
Howard Pease, 8 hedgehogs,	1 60
Charles Flanders, 1 hedgehog,	20
Floyd E. Huckins, 1 hedgehog,	20
Harold Taylor, 1 hedgehog,	20
George F. Plummer, 1 hedgehog,	20
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	\$4 00

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Appropriation,	\$3,300 00
Balance from 1915, state road fund,	62 00
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Total available,	\$3,362 00
Expended on state road,	\$2,586 16
Received from state,	\$1,358 88
Received from town Bridgewater,	49 87
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	\$1,408 75
Cost to town,	\$1,177 41
Balance on hand, town fund,	\$45 29
Total expense state road,	\$1,177 41

Total expense other highways,	2,309 77
Total expended,	<u>\$3,487 18</u>
Exceeded appropriation,	\$187 18

See report of road agents for details of expenditures.

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1916,	\$2,801 51
From tax collector,	22,181 05
From water rents,	2,582 03
From dog licenses,	112 80
Excise commission licenses,	6 16
Municipal court justice fines,	100 46
Pool tables and bowling alleys,	66 25
Moving picture and show licenses,	253 00
Peddlers' licenses,	8 00
B. & M. R. R. fire account,	30 01
Town of New Hampton, fire account,	16 40
Town of Bridgewater, highway account,	49 87
Town of Center Harbor, use of roll,	10 00
Refund on material bought,	1 00
Old stove sold,	2 00
Janitor town hall,	60
Rent town shed,	10 00
Rent old Masonic hall,	24 50
Junk dealers' licenses,	24 00
State treasurer, bounties paid,	3 20
State treasurer, highway account,	1,358 88
State treasurer, insurance tax,	22 50
State treasurer, railroad tax,	225 17
State treasurer, savings bank tax,	2,017 61
State treasurer, literary fund,	206 31
State treasurer, school fund,	1,045 00
Town notes,	2,000 00
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	\$35,158.31

Expenditures.

Miscellaneous bills,	\$2,217 04
State tax,	2,137 50
County tax,	1,559 11
Fire department,	621 60
Fire alarm,	180 76
Board of health,	197 76
Memorial day,	85 00
State road,	2,586 16
Other highways,	2,309 77
Town library,	250 00
Town poor,	143 25
Police and lobby,	577 84
Police court,	66 66
Bounties paid,	4 00
County poor,	12 77
Town officers,	966 50
Schools, special district,	11,135 82
Schools, town district,	985 39
Notes and interest,	5,929 18
Cash on hand,	3,192 20
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	\$35,158 31

Report of the Trust Funds, Feb. 15, 1917.

Date	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Am't of Principal	Rate of Int't
1916				
July 8	Martha Cummings, For the care and preservation of family lot in Green Grove Cemetery in Ashland N. H.	Ashland Savings Bank	\$200.00	3 1-2
1917				
Jan 27	Horace W. Berry, For highway purposes.	Ashland Savings Bank	\$1,411.13	3 1-2

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Feb. 15, 1917.

Receipts.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1916.	\$2,801 51
Receipts during the year,	32,356 80
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	\$35,158 31

Disbursements.

Disbursements during year,	\$31,966 11
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1917,	3,192 20
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	\$35,158 31

Assets.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1917,	\$3,192 20
Due from state, hedgehog bounty,	2 00
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	\$3,194 20

Liabilities.

Due on shade tree appropriation,	\$ 48 55
Due on state road fund,	45 29
Due on town notes,	30,382 20
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	\$30,476 04
Balance against town Feb. 15, 1916,	\$30,493 07
Balance against town Feb. 15, 1917,	\$27,281 84
Decrease of town debt during year,	\$3,211 23

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand from last year,	\$2,801 51
From tax collector,	22,181 05
Superintendent of water works,	
water rents,	2,582 03
Town clerk, dog licenses,	112 80
Excise commission, license account,	6 16
Ashland Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
State treasurer,	3,516 59
Asa W. Drew, municipal court account,	100 46
Selectmen on sundry accounts.	1,857 71
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	\$35,158 31

Disbursements.

Paid Selectmen's orders,	\$23,899 43
State tax,	2,137 50
Ashland Savings Bank, note,	2,016 67
Eunice A. Peaslee, on note,	182 98
Sarah E. Chamberlin, on note,	142 10
Martha A Heath, on note,	70 00
Mary J. Horrigan, on note,	24 50
Daniel C. Hill, on note,	50 75
Mabell N. Campbell, on note,	10 50
Henry C. Dearborn, on note,	10 50
Elizabeth A. Hodgson, on note,	56 00
Jessie A. Thompson, on note,	35 00
Wm. Bateman, on notes,	43 75
Francella C. Perkins, on note,	2,694 93
F. P. Nichols, on note.	56 00
Minnie L. Smith, on note,	84 00

Henry M. Smith, on note,	196 00
M. C. Blake, on note,	87 50
George W. Andrews, on note,	28 00
Margaret J. Gordon, on note,	14 00
Emma H. Scribner, on note,	52 50
Sarah A. Boynton, on note,	52 50
Nellie E. Plummer, on note,	21 00
Cash on hand,	3,192 20
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	\$35,158 31

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of O. A. Brown, Town Treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. E. GINGRAS,
J. G. SMITH,
Auditors.

February 26, 1917.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT.

John H. Blanchard, agent,	\$102 32
S. J. Cotton,	13 50
Frank Moore,	11 90
Charles Clough,	1 68
E. W. Sanborn,	8 50
Ray Harriman,	6 00
Benjamin Dean,	133 75
Henry Dion,	13 00
W. B. Clifford,	12 00
George McKinley,	5 54
H. E. Heath,	1 32
William Ryan,	4 00
M. Landrock,	4 55
Henry Dion,	7 00
W. B. Clifford,	1 32
George McKinley,	5 32
William Ryan,	4 00
M. Landrock,	2 00
Benjamin Dean,	18 62
W. F. Timlin, agent,	12 90
W. F. Timlin, agent,	15 00
Henry Dion,	4 22
Bolts for street sweeper,	35
E. Archer,	40
B. & M. R. R., 31 loads gravel at 15c, (1915),	4 65
Frank Moore,	102 50
Squam Lake Lumber Co.,	4 32
Geo. W. Plummer & Son,	85
Allen Howe,	5 20
St. Arnold,	3 35
Benjamin Dean,	132 25

W. F. Timlin, agent,	32 00
Frank Moore,	94 72
W. D. Philbrick,	2 25
Willis Clark,	2 64
J. Brown,	90
E. W. Boynton,	10 00
American Express Co.,	30
C. V. Knowlton,	50
O. A. Brown,	14 54
F. H. Chick,	18 57
Benjamin Dean,	120 97
W. F. Timlin, agent,	48 00
Benjamin Dean,	58 70
E. G. Boynton,	2 00
Joseph Benton,	3 50
George Lambert,	21 00
Benjamin Dean,	15 50
W. B. Smith, Dist.,	77 25
Squam Lake Lumber Co.,	2 40
J. G. Smith,	1 50
J. O. Clark,	9 25
A. F. Nichols,	20 00
Benjamin Dean,	170 79
W. F. Timlin, agent,	27 00
F. D. Eastman,	3 50
Benjamin Dean,	15 50
W. F. Timlin, agent,	3 00
Benjamin Dean,	6 50
W. F. Timlin, agent,	3 00
Benjamin Dean,	96 47
J. O. Clark,	5 00
W. F. Timlin, agent,	15 50
Rufus Blake,	2 00
W. L. Brown,	7 00
Benjamin Dean,	81 65

Henry Gault,	9 75
J. O. Clark,	7 12
W. F. Timlin, agent,	42 60
Freight,	53
Walter B. Brown,	4 56
Benjamin Dean,	65 50
J. O. Clark,	5 62
W. F. Timlin, agent,	17 00
Frank Moore,	13 25
Benjamin Dean,	2 25
Squam Lake Lumber Co.,	3 29
Benjamin Dean,	43 12
George Bryant, 75 loads gravel,	7 50
S. J. Cotton, 41 loads gravel,	6 15
Allen Howe, 27 loads gravel,	4 05
Mrs. Curtis, 12 loads gravel,	2 40
Frederick M. Merrow, 10 loads gravel,	1 50
Benjamin Dean,	30 00
Frank Moore,	21 80
George Lambert,	6 00
F. D. Eastman,	22 50
W. F. Timlin, agent,	13 00
G. B. Peavey,	3 45
O. A. Brown,	35 26
A. F. Nichols,	20 50
E. W. Sanborn,	70 69
Hollis Heath,	2 00
Benjamin Dean,	124 00
C. H. Sanborn,	17 80
Town of Holderness,	6 00
F. D. Eastman,	32 50
Frank Moore,	16 12
W. B. Smith,	16 25

\$ 2,309 77

W. F. TIMLIN, Highway Agent.

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE.

O. L. Stevens, with team,	\$633 25
S. J. Cotton, teams,	256 86
S. J. Cotton, patrolman,	85 00
Ed Bennett,	31 00
George Sorrell,	45 50
Frank Lougee,	76 11
Frank Sorrell,	100 00
George McKinley,	24 50
John Hutton,	22 50
Will Clark,	6 00
Clarence Robinson,	1 31
Enoch Archer,	30 00
Robert Dean,	107 03
John Comier,	18 50
John Blanchard,	2 00
Allen Howe, gravel,	84 85
Squam Lake Lumber Co.,	53 48
F. H. Chick, blacksmith,	40
Herman Lougee,	58 00
Walter Preston,	42 00
Charles Paris,	45 00
Jed Brown,	9 00
Alex Ricker,	6 00
Patrolman's dinner,	75
Ed W. Sanborn,	3 90
Mrs. Curtis,	49 15
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	\$1,792 09

S. J. COTTON, Patrolman.

REPORT OF NEW TARVIA ROAD.

S. J. Cotton, Agent,	\$ 70 00
S. J. Cotton, teams,	140 00
S. J. Cotton,	140 00
Ed Bennett,	38 00
George Sorrell,	16 00
Frank Lougee,	38 48
George McKinley,	51 00
Will Clark,	36 00
Freight, express and demurrage on stone,	211 12
Telephone,	81
Otto Willoughby,	9 00
Henry Vachon,	51 55
Enoch Archer,	6 00
Al. Brown,	8 75
Fred Normandy,	41 11
Jim Clark,	7 00
Clarence Robinson,	19 25
Frank St. Arnold,	2 00
Joe Fields,	2 00
Frank Sorrell,	22 00
Tom Billodeau,	6 00
Joe Billodeau,	6 00
L. W. Packard, coal,	12 00
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	\$794 07

S. J. COTTON. Patrolman.

SETTLEMENT WITH TAX COLLECTOR.

Receipts.

Taxes as per warrant,	\$22,731 76
Added by collector,	32 00
Interest,	27 80
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	\$22,791 56

Expenditures.

Treasurer's receipts,	\$22,181 05
Discounts allowed,	561 96
Abatements,	84 55
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	\$22,791 56

JANITOR'S REPORT.

Feb. 15, 1917.

Receipts.

1916

Feb.	17, Tinker's Orchestra,	\$ 6 00
	23, Entertainment Club,	4 00
Mar.	21, Entertainment Club,	3 75
Apr.	24, High school,	3 00
	27, Pythian Sisters,	4 00
	30, St. Mark's church,	3 00
May	5, St. Mark's church,	14 00
	12, Hose Company,	4 00
June	14, Kentucky Girl,	6 00
	19, Empire Company,	6 00
Aug.	4, St. Agnes' church,	4 00
	10, Episcopal church,	6 00
Sept.	15, Cow Boy,	5 00
Oct.	13, Baptist church,	10 00
Dec.	27, Tinker's Orchestra,	6 00

1917.

Jan.	3, Basket ball,	3 00
	27, Basket ball,	3 00
Feb.	1, Basket ball,	3 50
	9, Basket ball,	4 00
	13, Grammar school,	3 50
	15, Methodist church,	10 00

\$111 75

Expenditures.

Electric lights,	\$12 60
1 yale lock,	1 75
2 door pulls,	15
1 can dustbane,	2 75
3 dozen hooks,	1 50
Sawing wood,	1 08
Cleaning hall,	1 50
Leon Page,	50
Sawdust,	1 00
Yale lock,	2 00
Cleaning hall yard,	3 00
Putting on lock,	75
Ed Sanborn, stair rails,	5 00
Helping Ed Sanborn,	2 00
Frank Estes, water bubbler,	6 60
Dustbane,	48
Cleaning hall,	1 50
1 cord slab wood,	2 50
1 cord hard wood,	5 00
Sawing wood,	1 50
A. E. Porter, use of piano.	9 00
Kerosene oil and meal,	49
Care of hall,	48 50
Paid town,	60
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	\$111 75

C. H. HEATH, Janitor.

ASHLAND TOWN LIBRARY.

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending Feb. 15, 1917.

Dr.

Cash received from town treasurer, for support of library,	\$250 00
Cash on hand,	52 83
Cash received from librarian for fines, cards, etc.,	4 72
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	\$307 55

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Hughes & Gammons, premium on policy,	\$31 25
A. F. Whipple, books,	3 15
F. L. Barnard & Co., book binders,	32 51
Set of Shakespeare's Works,	10 00
A. E. Porter & Son, books,	156 61
Gaylord Bros., supplies,	23 64
Library Bureau, supplies,	20 85
Changing cabinet,	1 55
Changing cards,	2 00
Duster,	50
Freight,	79
Express,	52
Cash unexpended,	24 18
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	\$307 55

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1917,	\$24 18
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LULA B. SHEPARD, Treasurer.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

To the Citizens of Ashland:

We respectfully submit the fourth annual report of the Library Trustees. During the year 7,526 books were taken out, of which number 216 were non-fiction. 54 books, all of more than common value, were given during the year. The number of books added was 158. We have a complete record of 3,200 books and estimate those not yet listed to be 400. With nearly four thousand volumes it must be apparent to all that we are fast out-growing our limited quarters in the Town Building and should begin to make plans for accommodations more up-to-date and in keeping with our needs. It might be said in this connection that we should have a reading room containing daily papers and magazines and open to the public, evenings.

F. ANNA WHIPPLE,
LULA B. SHEPARD,
W. F. TIMLIN,

Library Trustees.

REPORT OF FIRE WARDS.

To the Citizens of Ashland, we respectfully submit the annual report of the Fire Wards:

April 17, 2-2-2 rung for fire which destroyed the dwelling home of George Parkhurst in New Hampton.

May 3, alarm from box 45 for fire in building owned by Hazen Baker and occupied by Ed Sweeney. Chemicals used. Damage of \$3.00 was paid by insurance company.

May 11, 2-2-2, brush fire back of mills and cemetery.

May 13, still alarm; brush fire on land of B. & M. R. R.

June 21, still alarm for fire which destroyed the barn owned by Helen McMillan.

Nov. 13, alarm from box 41 for fire in building owned by Mrs. A. F. Nichols and occupied by Moran & Fifield. Chemicals used. Building insured for \$800. Insurance of \$30 paid. Contents insured for \$2,000. Damage of \$75 paid.

Dec. 15, alarm from box 59, for fire in B. & M. freight car at station. Loss \$500.00.

Dec. 25, alarm from box 66 for chimney fire at Fred Guyotte's.

Jan. 8, 1917, still alarm for chimney fire at Joe Zeberg's.

Feb. 6, still alarm for chimney fire at E. A. Straw's.

Feb. 10, alarm from box 62, for chimney fire in house owned by Mrs. S. E. Ellis. Chemicals used. No loss.

Dec. 25, still alarm for chimney fire at Herbert Brown's.

Our equipment is in good shape and we need nothing new at the present time.

In the death of Fireward John B. Sullivan, which occurred on Jan. 12, the members of the Ashland Fire Department feel they sustained the loss of a capable and efficient officer, whose interest in the department was shown on many occasions, and his loss is greatly regretted by all.

L. G. FIFIELD,

GEORGE F. PLUMMER,

Fire Wards.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

From May 1, 1916, to Feb. 15, 1917.

Number of arrests made and held for court, as follows :

For peddling fruit without a license,	1
For drunkenness,	4
Automobile speeding,	1
Automobiles without number plates,	1
Motor cycle speeding,	2
For larceny,	1
For selling Uno beer,	1
For assault,	1

Total number of arrests,	12
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Held for out of town officers,	3
Locked up for safe keeping,	3
Number of business places found open,	1
Number put up for lodging,	101

Respectfully reported,

R. C. HARRIMAN, Chief of Police.

REPORT OF MUNICIPAL COURT.

This court was established the latter part of May, 1916, and was ready for business June 1, 1916, since which there have been 21 cases brought to the attention of the court, 20 on the criminal docket and one on the civil docket.

The list of cases on the criminal docket are classified as follows:

For peddling foreign fruits without a license,	1
Non-support of wife and children,	4
Assault and battery,	3
Overspeeding of motor vehicles,	4,
Non-display of number plate,	1
Larceny,	1
Bastardy,	1
Drunkenness,	4
Sale of spirituous liquors,	1

On the criminal list there have been collected in fines and costs as per report to town treasurer, \$132 25

Accounted for as follows:

Paid special police officer, James H.

Flemming, \$13 05

Paid account of assistance and keeping prisoners,

2 75

Paid witness fees, 2 74

Paid for court seal, stationery and necessary supplies,

13 25

\$31 79

Balance to town treasurer,

\$100 46

Respectfully submitted,

ASA WARREN DREW.

WATER WORKS REPORT.

Dr.

Received for water rent,	\$2,989 51
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Paid New Hampton tax,	\$ 46 20
W. B. Brown,	75
Walter Preston,	13 00
Sherman Clark,	2 50
Tom Coleman,	1 25
The Hawthorne Press,	7 50
O. A. Brown,	2 43
E. W. Sanborn, for stock, supplies and labor for new services tapped and old services renewed, and other incidental expenses connected with the water works,	208 55
Salary of superintendent,	125 00
For index books,	30
O. A. Brown, treasurer,	2,582 03
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	\$2,989 51

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. SANBORN, Superintendent.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts of the Town of Ashland and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CLIFFORD E. GINGRAS,
J. G. SMITH,

Auditors.

Feb. 26, 1917.

Births Registered in the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1916.

Date of Birth 1916.	Name of Child (if any)	Sex and condition			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Mother's Age
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	No. child 1st, 2d &c.								
Aug 5 '15	Richard T	M	Living	2	John B May	Abigail Worcester	W	Newton Mass	Physician	Newton Mass	Newton Mass	
Oct 26 '15	Evelyn M	M	"	1	Harry A Smith	Maderisa M Dupuis	"	Ashland	Tel'g'h oper	Plymouth	Pittsfield	
Jan 6	Mildred Alberta	F	"	8	Frank G Wood	Alice M Tobine	"	Ashland	Laborer	Campton	Bridgewater	
" 9	Samuel Herbert	M	"	2	Lewis C Eastman	Elsie L Spiller	"	Ashland	Carpenter	Holderness	Bridgewater	
" 31		F	"	2	Horace S Plummer	Eva A Sawyer	"	Ashland	Sawyer	Thornton	Campton	
" 31		F	"	3	Horace S Plummer	Eva A Sawyer	"	Ashland	Sawyer	Thornton	Campton	
Feb 17	Stanley Alfred	M	"	3	Thos A Boland	Iva P Williams	"	Ashland	Teamster	P E Island	Lyman	
" 19	Ellen May	F	"	2	Leon C Hammond	Annie H Vallien	"	Bridgewater	Farmer	Northfield Vt	Sherb'ke P Q	
" 25	James Herman	M	"	2	W M Downer	Edith Blanchard	"	Ashland	Laborer	Groveton	Ashland	
Mar 1	Melvina	F	"	2	Emile Guyotte	Alice Merchant	"	Ashland	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
" 6	James Franklin	M	"	1	Harry Bant	Edith James	"	Ashland	Clerk	Bridgewater	Laconia	
Apr 1	Ina Shepard	F	"	4	Raffaello Pucetti	Assunta Caser	"	Ashland	Fruit dealer	Italy	Italy	
" 7	Lloyd Wilson	M	"	3	Albert E Burt	Edna Wilson	"	Ashland	Clerk	Sutton P Q	Harcourt N B	
" 8	Harold R	F	"	3	Roy A Wilkins	Florence Commette	"	Ashland	Laborer	Kirby Vt	Franconia	
" 14	Florence M	F	"	1	Thos Coleman	Lucy Guyotte	"	Ashland	Painter	Nova Scotia	Ashland	
May 1	Warren S	M	"	1	Charles Ashley	Minnie Fellows	"	Ashland	Laborer	Center Harbor	Ireland	
" 3	Karl Clifford	M	"	1	Charles Ashley	Ada Jacobs	"	Ashland	Laborer	England	Lebanon	
" 3		F	"	2	Henry Provincial	Leona E Ruel	"	Ashland	Laborer	Canada	Littleton	
" 17		F	"	3	Henry Provincial	Leona E Ruel	"	Ashland	Laborer	Canada	Littleton	
June 3		F	"	3	John Harriman	Selina M Gerouard	"	Ashland	Real est d'r	Bethlehem	Canada	
" 21	Dorothy Belle	F	S B	1	Alfred H Boguean	Antounette Gerouard	"	Ashland	Laborer	St Albans Vt	Ashland	
" 21	Mary Beatrice	F	Living	3	Abner F Jackson	Carrie M Fowler	"	Ashland	Farmer	Ashland	Newbury	
" 21	Howard Rixford	M	"	2	Joseph Boesvert	Alma Duchene	"	Ashland	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
July 13	Harold Donald	M	"	3	Albert L Brown	Mary L Martell	"	Ashland	Laborer	Ashland	N Bedford Mas	
" 22		"	"	10	Almon E Carter	Addie L Webster	"	Ashland	Chaufeur	Sandwich	Sandwich	
Aug 13		"	"	4	Arthur Harriman	Annie Landry	"	Ashland	Farber	Ashland	Providence R I	
" 18	Virginia Ruth	F	Living	1	Percy R Lewis	Ruth C Brown	"	Ashland	Clerk	N Bedford Mas	Ashland	
" 26	Roland Clark	M	"	5	Olin Amsden	Elsie Clark	"	Ashland	Farmer	Meredith	N Hampton	
Sept 13	Harold Louie	M	"	1	Louie Day	Theresa Cota	"	Ashland	Printer	Haverhill	Holderness	
Nov 23	Roger Earl	F	"	2	Ernest C Cole	Pauline I Stanley	"	Ashland	Chaufeur	Whitefield	Erson	
Dec 19	Ellen Martha	F	"	8	John O'Shea	Martha Moulton	"	Ashland	Pieman	Plymouth	Reimont	
	April Wanita	"	"	1	John J Hurley	Lily F Kelley	"	Ashland	Soldier U S A	Ireland	Hightgate Vt	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1916.

Date—1916	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in Years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Times mar'd	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
May 11	Plymouth	Max Weisberg Flora B Vallier	Ashland Ashland	31 33	W "	Machine t'd'r Mill hand	Warsaw Rus Ashland	Morris Weisberg Genette Weisberg Arthur A Clark	Germany New Hampshire	Mill hand Mill hand	2 2	Rev A L Smith Plymouth
May 20	Plymouth	Norman Parsons Cora Marston	Ashland Ashland	28 31	" "	Laborer Nurse	Newfoundl'd Ctr Harbor	Georgia H Long John Parsons Polly Marston Geo H Hawkins	Newfoundland	Carpenter Farmer	1 2	Rev A L Smith Plymouth
June 10	Ashland	Henry Wood Barbara A Burgoyne	Boston Mass Boston Mass	31 19	" "	Auto finisher Chiroprapist	London Eng Canada	John Wood Rose Lazaras Tabcas Burgoyne Anna Stars	London Eng London Eng Canada	Manufact'r Farmer	1 1	Fr P J McDonough Ashland
June 11	Manches'r	Leon A Cooley Bessie M Towle	Ashland Manchester	22 22	" "	Clerk Stenogra'r	Ashland Manchester	Mary A Horner Henry W Towle Bula A Nason	Tamworth Vt Wheelock Hampton Canada	Super't Laborer	1 1	Rev M R Foshay Manchester
Nov 11	Laconia	Richard Cox Mary L Chaso	Ashland Ashland	45 49	" "	Fireman Housekeep'r	England Runney	John Cox Susan Raelham Marce Sorrell Flora Shuette	England Canada Canada	Laborer Laborer	1 3	Rev. E H Prescott Laconia
Nov 11	Laconia	Grover E Patten Blanche E Whitcher	Laconia Ashland	29 23	" "	Machinist Mill operate	Alexandria Concord	Geo Patten Phylona Patten Rurt Whitcher	Alexandria Alexandria	Farmer Brakeman	1 1	Rev Wm Thomp'n Laconia
Dec 25	Ashland	Chas W Pattee Agnes D Burke	Ashland Plymouth	25 22	" "	Merchant "	Wilnot Williston Vt	Cora Hazelton Chas H Pattee Susie W Morey Gordon Burke Rose Keefe	Concord Wilnot Williston Vt Richmond	Merchant Blacksmith	1 1	Rev John Manter Ashland

Deaths Registered in the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1916.

Date—1916	Name and Surname of deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex and Conditions		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Cause of Death
		Years	Months		Days	Male or Female		Single, married or widowed	Color			
Jan 17	Richard Bearor	80	2	Ashland	M	W	Stone mason	Westbury Ct	Ashland	Lougie Bevor	Jennie Vallier	Pneumonia
" 24	Geo M Hodgdon	68	5	Northfield	"	W	Clerk	Northfield	Bridgewater	Edward Avery	Sally Thurston	Heart failure
" 26	Newell A Avery	68	6	Prospect Me	"	M		Thornton	Campton	Horace Plummer	Hannah Harding	Cer'l hemorrhage
" 31			26	Ashland	F	"		Thornton	Campton	Horace Plummer	Eva Sawyer	Premature birth
Feb 18	Mary M McGraw	61	6	Ashland	F	"	Student	N B	Wet'g'f'd Ct	Joseph McGraw	Flora M Guyotte	Pneumonia
" 31	Henry H Shep'rd	69	4	Ashland	M	"	Retired	Holderness	Holderness	Geo W Shepard	Sarah C Fowle	Epilepsia
Mar 18		20	20	Holderness	"	"			Runney	George Mack	Jessie M Hardy	Asphyxiated
" 16	Fidelia Sawyer	74	9	Ashland	F	"	Housewife	Thornton	Thornton	Jonathan Dustin	Mary Avery	Arteriosclerosis
" 28	Oscar St. Arn'ld	1	9	Westville N Y	M	"		Canada	Canada	Frank St Arn'ld	Ober'te Orouard	Pneumonia
" 30	Ellie L Norris	60	1	Ashland	F	"		Ireland	Ireland	Daniel Bowen	Ellie Cotton	Int'l nephritis
June 1	J A Provenc'er	28	28	Boston Mass	M	"		P Q	Littleton	Henry Provenc'r	Minnie Ruel	Pneumonia
" 2		"	"	Ashland	"	"		St Albans Vt	Ashland	Fred Brazeau	Laura Gamache	Stillborn
" 3	Jeff'y J Guyotte	30	15	Ashland	F	"		Canada	Canada	Eugene Guyotte	Julia Lamond	Pul'y tuberculo's
July 21		88	5	Ashland	"	"	House work	Holderness	Groveton	John A Perkins	Lizzie Bennett	Stillborn
Aug 7	Lizzie M Culver	52	8	Holderness	"	"	Nurse	Sandwich	Meredith	Eben Baker	Mary Cate	Cer'l apoplexy
" 13	Emma L Jewell	52	8	Thornton	"	"		Ashland	Sandwich	Asahel Wallace	Caroline Tappan	Pellagra
" 21	Fran's M Hughes	78	1	Ashland	M	"	Retired	Windham	Provid'ce R I	Arthur Har'man	Annie Landry	Stillborn
" 23	Wm S Shields	55	6	Windham	"	W	Motorman	Ireland	Franklin	Baruch Hughes	Martha Clark	Per's anemia
" 25	Mary R Forbes	56	1	Ireland	F	"	Housewife	Ireland	N S	Wm Shields	Louise Kelley	Appendicitis
" 25	Geo E Scribner	52	7	Cedar L'k N S	"	"		N S	N S	Jos E Reeves	Arrie Hall	Cancer
" 29	Harold A Gordon	21	11	Holderness	"	"	Clerk	Andover	N Hampton	Frank'n Scribner	Maria Hackett	Per's anemia
" 31	Ann L Andrews	75	3	Ashland	F	"		Littleton	Holderness	Chas L Gordon	Sarah J Andrews	Tuberculosis
Sept 6	Harold D Brown	65	1	Ashland	M	"		Sanbornton	Plymouth	John Rollins	Ruth B Sargent	Apoplexy
Sept 8	Mary F Cummings	47	5	Ashland	F	"		Ashland	Canada	Albert L Brown	Mary L Martell	Illis colitis
Oct 1	Lillian M Phum'r	47	6	Maine	"	"	Housewife	Maine	Maine	Joseph Cushing	Hannah Annis	Heart disease
" 3	Addie L Kimball	57	6	Holderness	"	"	Housewife	Holderness	Holderness	John B Davidson	Sarah H Lowd	Per's anemia
" 17	Lilla Chase	58	2	Holderness	"	"	Shoemaker	Holderness	Holderness	Chas Shepard	Mary Blanchard	Arteriosclerosis
" 28	Geo H Adams	57	4	Farmington	M	"		Holderness	Holderness	Betsy Farnsworth	Betsy Farnsworth	Arteriosclerosis
Nov 3	Den'l S Batch'd'r	65	1	Bridgewater	F	"	Hotel Prop'r	Bridgewater	Meredith	Dan'l Batchelder	Mary J Plummer	Complications
" 21	Emily S Gault	70	2	Bridgewater	F	"		Jay Vt	Tabine	Frank O Kelley	Edith Lock	Cer'b'l hemorrhage
Dec 7	Thos P Cheney	83	9	N Hampton	M	"	Retired	N Hampton	Sanbornton	Person Cheney	Anna Morrison	Stillborn
" 8	Wm Sinclair	76	3	Holderness	"	"	Retired	Moultonb'o	Sanbornton	Zehulon Sinclair		Septicemia

C. E. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT

ASHLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Report of the Treasurer of the School Board for Year Ending
February 15, 1917.

Receipts.

Balance on hand from last year,	\$ 949 01
From Mrs. F. S. Edwards, for supplies,	1 40
F. W. Knight, telephone and supplies,	1 65
Ida Mann, tuning fork sold,	52
Ashland Town School District, tuition,	40 00
New Hampton School District, tuition,	214 64
Gilford School District, tuition,	26 67
Holderness School District, tuition,	98 88
Sandwich School District, tuition,	26 67
Zenas B. Furbush, tuition,	20 00
Frank O. Kelley, tuition,	9 00
Lewis Sherburne, tuition,	3 50
Almon Huckins, tuition,	15 00
Guy Torsey, tuition,	10 00
Town treasurer,	11,135 82
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	\$12,552 76

Expenditures.

Paid F. W. Knight, salary,	\$1,355 54
Mary E. Smith, salary,	208 35
Marguerite Poore, salary,	249 98
Florence P. Hubbard, salary,	349 97
Emelyn G. Nickerson, salary,	320 78
Mary Roberts, salary,	432 00
Mildred E. Smith, salary,	432 00

Blanche Rogers, salary,	432 00
Minnie M. Thompson, salary,	432 00
Marjorie B. Boothe, salary,	165 00
Anna B. Carrigan, salary,	165 00
Lillian Carmichael, salary,	180 00
Mary S. Ireland, salary,	180 00
Cora P. Clay, salary,	240 00
Ida Mann, salary,	252 00
Anne Lawrence, salary,	252 00
Emily E. Cook, salary,	246 00
M. M. Morey, salary janitor,	504 00
M. M. Morey, extra labor,	70 50
M. M. Morey, truant officer,	25 00
L. G. Fifield, labor and supplies,	23 36
Ashland Electric Light Co., lights,	48 30
E. W. Sanborn, coal,	1,438 77
White Mt. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone,	20 23
E. G. Boynton, wood,	63 00
Geo. E. Huckins, milk,	1 72
George W. Lambert, wood,	103 50
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., text books,	3 17
American Book Co., text books,	76 23
Ginn & Co., text books,	113 45
Silver, Burdett & Co., text books,	43 02
Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co., text books,	7 15
McKinley Publishing Co., text books,	5 03
D. C. Heath & Co., text books,	9 67
Allyn & Bacon, text books,	31 54
University of Chicago Press, text books,	1 14
Little. Brown & Co., text books,	14 71
A. Schelzel, supplies,	55
W. B. Brown, supplies,	4 90
Carr Brothers, supplies,	1 87
Beal & Hartwell, supplies,	1 96
Ashland Pharmacy, supplies,	55

L. W. Wilbur, equipment,	22 73
Carey Furniture Co., equipment,	15 65
Edward E. Babb & Co., supplies,	287 59
O. A. Brown, supplies,	166 10
W. F. Timlin, supplies,	40
The People's Market, supplies,	3 34
R. E. Lane, supplies,	1 79
Orient Spray Co., supplies,	58 05
Howard & Brown, supplies,	15 56
The Chemical Rubber Co., supplies,	12 00
C. C. Birchard Co., text books,	2 47
F. A. Kimball, sawing wood,	7 50
J. W. Boynton, sawing wood,	23 75
J. G. Smith, labor, sawing wood,	2 33
Frank G. Estes, sawing wood,	1 43
American Express Co.,	35
Robert A. Foss, services and supplies,	19 50
Alice Hughes, laundry work,	4 75
F. H. Osgood, musical instruction and expense,	122 71
Alice Knowlton, services,	1 00
Henry W. Wells, map,	2 50
C. H. Heath, services,	1 00
C. V. Knowlton, team,	1 00
Lewis E. Eastman, labor and material,	151 03
F. W. Knight, enumeration,	10 00
I. M. Brown, services,	4 20
F. C. Merrill, tuning piano,	2 50
E. W. Sanborn, labor and supplies,	52 72
C. H. Palmer, labor and supplies,	5 67
George I. Brown, labor and money paid out,	6 71
Frank Fifield, labor and supplies,	36 14
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	46 49
The Century Co., text books,	10 00
Alice E. Hilliard, teaching,	14 00

Theodore Jacques, supplies,	5 75
American Cookery, text books,	1 00
Stone & Underhill Co., supplies,	41
Herman Goldberger, magazines,	16 25
Cambridge Botanical Supply Co., supplies,	108 73
F. W. Knight, incidentals,	17 57
Cambridge Trust Co., note,	1,053 33
Blanche M. Nichols, note and interest,	617 50
Henry M. Smith, interest,	200 00
Hiram J. Merrill, interest,	24 00
Lucy A. Merrill, interest,	20 00
Francella C. Perkins, interest,	20 00
Marsena C. Blake, interest,	36 00
Frances Plummer, interest,	20 00
Balance on hand,	793 32
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	\$12,552 76

SUMMARY OF FINANCES.

Revenue—Current.

Balance from last year,	\$ 949 01
Entire amount of money required by law to be raised for schools, 1916,	1,872 45
Entire additional amount voted at school meeting, 1916,	4,600 00
Amount assessed to pay for necessary school books and supplies,	1,000 00
Amount of literary fund received from state, December, 1916,	180 73
Amount received from state treasurer, under chapter 158 of the Sessions Laws of 1909, December, 1916,	915 42
Amount received from dog licenses, April, 1916,	107 22
Amount received from all other sources not included in above,	467 93
Total revenue for current expenses,	<hr/> \$10,092 76

Extraordinary.

Amount raised for repairs and remodeling, 1916,	\$ 500 00
Amount raised to pay district debt,	1,500 00
Amount raised to pay interest,	460 00
Total extraordinary revenue,	<hr/> \$2,460 00

Expenditures—Current.

Amount expended for text books,	\$324 29
Amount expended for reference books, maps, and other apparatus,	100 97

Amount expended for scholars supplies,	414 94
Amount expended for teachers' salaries, regular,	5,906 62
Amount expended for salaries of special activities,	122 71
Amount paid for truant officer, including enumeration of children,	35 00
Amount paid for minor repairs,	243 65
Amount paid for janitor,	504 00
Amount paid for building supplies,	224 56
Amount paid for fuel,	1,636 52
Amount paid for light,	48 30
Amount unclassified expenditures not included above,	162 37
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Total current expenditures,	\$9,723 93

Extraordinary.

Amount paid for replacement of equipment,	\$44 68
Payments of Debt and Interest.	
Amount paid on debt,	\$1,500 00
Amount paid for interest on debt,	490 83
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Total debt and interest payments,	\$1,990 83
Grand total expenditures,	\$11,759 44
Total outstanding district indebtedness,	\$10,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. BROWN, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of O. A. Brown, treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRANK FIFIELD,

ALBERT E. PORTER,

Auditors, Special School District.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

ASHLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT.

To the Citizens of Ashland:

The schools of the special district are, as during the past few years, under the supervision of the High school principal. In the grades and the High school the work of instruction has been uniformly satisfactory. Teachers, elected to fill vacancies caused by resignations of the preceding year, are fitting into their positions efficiently. The present registration of the schools shows a total of 239, 108 boys and 131 girls. This is a gain of 27 pupils according to the report for last year. Attendance has been remarkably good this year, and the truant officer has had no obstinate cases brought to his attention.

In the High school there are at present 51 members, divided among courses as follows: College course, 17; English course, 10; and Domestic Arts course 24. The course in Domestic Arts continues to be popular, as all of the girls but six are enrolled in it.

Such text books and supplies as have been needed have been purchased. All classes are well supplied with the necessary reference books.

The usual number of tuition pupils are enrolled and serve as a source of revenue to the district. It is hoped to make their number even larger by legitimate canvassing among the surrounding towns.

Visitors to both the High school and the grades are cordially welcome. It is highly desirable that their number should constantly increase.

The grammar school building is in very good con-

dition, thanks to recent expenditures. In the High school building, however, it should appear desirable to improve the appearance of the walls, and especially to do something towards obtaining slate blackboards, to replace the present substitutes, which have outlasted their period of usefulness.

The teachers at present in the employ of the district are:

In the High school—F. W. Knight, Science and Mathematics; Miss Florence Hubbard, English and Domestic Arts; Miss Emelyn Nickerson, French, Latin and History.

In the grades—Anna Lawrence, grade 8; Emily Cook, grade 7; Ida Mann, grade 6; Caro Clay, grade 5; Minnie Thompson, grade 4; Blanche Rogers, grade 3; Mildred Smith, grade 2; and Mary Roberts, grade 1.

As required by law, we herewith submit the following estimates for the next year:

For text books, supplies and appurtenances, \$1,000 00

For payment of district notes and interest, \$1,400 00

OUTLINE OF STUDY—HIGH SCHOOL.

First Year.

English 1.—Composition and Rhetoric (Scott and Denney). At least thirty themes a year. For reading and study: The Rime of the Ancient Mariner, Silas Marner, Vision of Sir Launfal, Merchant of Venice, Marmion. Eight books read outside of class. Reference books.

Latin 1.—Essentials of Latin (Pearson) complete. First Steps in Latin, (Ritchie) complete. Sight reading.

Ancient History.—West's Ancient World (complete). Greece and Rome to 800 A. D. Constant map work at board. 25 maps per pupil. Outside reading, 400 pages per pupil. Written reports weekly.

Algebra.—Collins' Practical First Year studied through quadratics.

Book-keeping.—William and Roger's Text complete. Drill in preparing business papers and forms. Study of cash book, sales book, journal, ledger and trial balance.

Domestic Arts 1.—Cooking and Sewing. Requirements: to serve at least nine meals a year. Each pupil to serve at least one complete breakfast and luncheon. Study of cooking appliances. Use of kitchen utensils and appliances. Care, setting and serving of table. Designing of menus, study of costs and of nutritive values.

Sewing.—Hand work, machine work, use of patterns, cutting, fitting; making of garments. Study of goods, costs and adaptability to persons. Each pupil to make: apron, corset cover, drawers, nightgown,

middy blouse, summer dress or skirt, and to draft a pattern for skirt, shirt waist, drawers and petticoat.

Second Year.

English 2.—Composition, Rhetoric and Literature (Shackford Judson) Thirty themes per year. For reading and study: Washington's Farewell Address, Romeo and Juliet, Golden Treasury, Tale of Two Cities. Eight books read outside class.

Latin 2.—Caesar (Allen and Greenough) four books. Prose composition (Baker Inglis). A term of Ovid.. Sight reading.

French 1.—Grammar (New Chardenal) complete. 250 to 300 pages of easy prose. Aldrich & Foster's French Reader.

Geometry.—Text Hart & Feldman's, complete, including from 350 to 450 original exercises.

Arithmetic.—Text, Moore & Miner's, complete. Special emphasis laid on business arithmetic.

Domestic Arts 2.—Household Mechanical Appliances. Study of appliances used inside and around the home, as heating appliances, plumbing, electricity, and other forms of lighting, machines, etc.

Sanitation: applied to the household and surroundings: study of disease, modes of infections, etc. Ventilation, water supply, food supply, disposal of refuse. Study of home site, building plans, treatment of floor, walls, furnishings, and care of same.

Hygiene.—Personal hygiene, care of body, clothing, bedrooms, etc.

Third Year.

English 3.—Composition and Rhetoric (Hitchcock). Thirty themes. Long's English Literature. For Reading and study: Macbeth, Vicar of Wakefield, Webster's First Bunker Hill Oration, Sohrab and Rostum, Carlyle's Essay on Burns. Eight books read outside of class.

Latin 3.—Cicero (D'Ooge) seven orations. Prose Composition (Baker and Inglis). Sight reading.

French 2.—Grammar review. Composition (Francois' Elementary and Advanced Prose). Theme writing (Book review of each book read). Reading 400 to 600 pages of prose. La Belle Nirvernaise, La Mare au Diable L'Abbe Constantin, Colomba.

Physics.—Study of approved manuals, recitations, lectures, laboratory work, etc., experiments are worked out individually with note book results and records.

Rev. Math.—A review and continuation of geometry and algebra.

Domestic Arts.—Physiology (Hough & Sedgwick) References. Laboratory work. Nursing: First aid, care of minor injuries, of the sick, diet for sick, etc. References, charts.

Fourth Year.

English 4.—Composition and Rhetoric (Hitchcock). Thirty themes. Eight outside reading books. Long's American Literature. For reading and study: Romeo and Juliet, Golden Treasury, Tale of Two Cities, Washington's Farewell Address.

Latin 4.—Virgil (Fairclough & Brown). Sight reading. Grammar review and prose work.

French 3.—Prose Composition, (Koren). Parts 1, 2, 3, entire. Book reviews and letter writing. Reading 600 to 900 pages of prose. *L'Avare*, *Huit Contes Choisis*, *Stories from French Realists*, *Les Miserables*, *Eugenie Granget*, *Le Cid*.

Math. Rev. As for third year.

Adv. Math. Solid Geometry, and either Trigonometry or advanced Algebra.

Chemistry.—Recitations, lectures and laboratory work, including 60 or more experiments by individual students with notebook records.

American History.—Essentials in American History (Hart). Essentials of Civil Government (Peterman). Advanced Civics (Forman). Constitution of N. H. and the U. S. A study of the history and government to the present day.

Domestic Arts 4.—An advanced course in cooking, a study of household accounts and marketing. Study of the construction, design, and decoration of the home.

See next page for yearly program of High School.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS G. GAMMONS,
ORA A. BROWN,
FREDERICK M. MERROW,
HARRY R. SPAULDING,
EDWARD P. COLBY,
LESTER G. FIFIELD,

Board of Education.

PROGRAM OF ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL, 1916=17.

Approved July, 1916.

YEAR	CURRICULUM I. Latin Course.	Periods per week	Extent	CURRICULUM II. English Course.	Periods per week	Extent	CURRICULUM III. Domestic Arts Course.	Periods per week	Extent
I.	Latin Ancient History English Algebra	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English Ancient History Algebra Book-keeping	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English Ancient History Algebra Cooking and Sewing	5 5 5 5	Year " " "
II.	Latin Geometry English French	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English Geometry Arithmetic French	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English Arithmetic French Mechanical Appliances Sanitation and Hygiene	5 5 5 5	Year " " "
III.	Latin English Physics or Chemistry French	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English Physics or Chemistry Rev. Mathematics French	5 5 5 5	Year " " "	English French Physics or Chemistry Physiology and Nursing	5 5 5 5	Year " " "
IV.	English Latin Rev. Mathematics Am. Const. Hist French	4 4 4 4 4	Year " " " "	English French Physics or Chemistry Adv. Mathematics Am Const. Hist.	4 4 4 4 4	Year " " " "	English Physics or Chemistry Am Const. Hist French Adv. Co king and Household Economics	4 4 4 4 5	Year " " " "

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT.

TOWN DISTRICT.

Receipts.

Balance from last year,	\$ 233 00
Received from town treasurer,	985 39
Tuition from Holderness,	12 00
Tuition from Harry Leavitt,	7 00
Tuition from Morton Elliott,	4 50
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	\$1,241 89

Expenditures.

1916

Mar.	1, W. B. Smith, transportation,	\$ 25 00
	2, B. M. Warren, teaching,	133 20
	18, E. B. Smith, Calley lease and supplies,	6 25
	23, Addie E. Batchelder, auditor,	2 50
Apr.	7, W. B. Smith, supplies and cleaning school houses,	4 22
	E. B. Smith, supplies,	7 15
	Gladys Smith, transportation,	7 00
May	1, E. B. Smith, wood and bills paid,	11 75
	9, W. B. Smith, transportation,	10 50
June	15, D. S. Batchelder, bills paid,	24 32
	17, George Lambert, transportation,	33 00
	20, B. M. Warren, teaching,	132 00
	W. B. Smith, transportation,	24 50
	E. B. Smith, bills paid,	11 06
	21, O. A. Brown, tuition for Catherine Plummer,	13 33

	O. A. Brown, tuition for Florence Lambert,	13 20
July	5, Madge Pease, teaching and supplies,	146 72
	7, O. A. Brown, tuition for Catherine Plummer,	13 34
Aug.	5, George Lambert, transportation,	12 00
	7, Plymouth School Dist., tuition for Gladys Smith,	20 00
Oct.	7, D. S. Batchelder, wood and supplies,	12 14
Nov.	8, Madge Pease, teaching and supplies,	93 25
	A. J. Smith, transportation,	30 00
	28, B. M. Warren, teaching 12 weeks,	132 00
Dec.	15, Howard Small, supplies,	30
	16, W. B. Smith, transportation,	18 75
	23, Plymouth School District, tuition for Gladys Smith,	20 00
	25, Mary J. Chase, transportation,	18 00
	27, O. A. Brown, tuition for Catherine Plummer,	13 33
1917.		
Jan.	1, Madge Pease, teaching 8 9-10 weeks,	89 00
	Madge Pease, services as clerk,	2 50
	16, Leonard Tatham, janitor,	3 00
Feb.	14, Cash on hand,	158 58
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		\$1,241 89

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. PEASE, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the foregoing account of B. F. Pease, treasurer of the town school district, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

NELLIE B. CALLEY,

Auditor Town School District.

Feb. 14, 1917.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

PEASE DISTRICT.

Fall term, 1915, taught by Miss Madge Pease. Length of term 11 weeks; wages per month, \$40.00; whole number of pupils 5; average daily attendance 4.54. Roll of honor, Ethel M. Thompson; George A. Thompson, Hazel Thompson.

Winter term, 1915, taught by Miss Madge Pease. Length of term, 4 2-5 weeks; wages per month, \$40.00; whole number of pupils 4; average daily attendance 3.95. Roll of honor, Howard A. Small, George A. Thompson, Ethel M. Thompson.

Spring term, 1916, taught by Miss Madge Pease. Length of term, 14 3-5 weeks; total for year, 30 weeks; wages per month, \$40.00; whole number of pupils 6; average daily attendance 5.45. Roll of honor, Guy L. Leavitt, Howard A. Small.

Number of visitors for year, 44.

CALLEY DISTRICT.

Fall term, 1915, taught by Miss Beatrice M. Warren. Length of term 12 weeks; wages per month, \$44.00; whole number of pupils 6; average daily attendance 5.80.

Winter term, 1915, taught by Miss Beatrice M. Warren. Length of term 12 weeks; wages per month, \$44.00; whole number of pupils 6; average daily attendance 5.52.

Spring term, 1916, taught by Miss Beatrice M. Warren. Length of term 12 weeks; total for year, 36 weeks; wages per month, \$44.00; whole number of

pupils 7; average daily attendance 5.69.

Number of visitors for year, 27.

As Miss Pease and Miss Warren are still in charge of the schools, it shows the high regard in which they are held as teachers.

As it was impossible to get any help, no repairing was done, only some paint and stain purchased.

Owing to the small number of children in the district, the school question is a serious problem.

We would urge all parents and friends to visit the schools as often as possible and see for yourself what the children are receiving from the district schools, and continually impress upon the children the need of an education.

Every voter in the district is urged to attend the annual school meeting, March 17, at 2 p. m., at Ashland Town Hall.

As required by law, we submit the following estimates for next year:

For text books, supplies, and appurtenances, \$50 00

For High school tuition, \$150 00

CHARLES L. SMALL,
ERVILLE J. BATCHELDER,
EVERETT B. SMITH,

School Board.

By Erville J. Batchelder, Chairman.



